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FEAR KINGSBURY HAS BEEN MURDERED

The officials of the Palomas Land and Cattle company fear that H. S. Kingsbury, foreman for the company, has been murdered by Mexican bandits. He left here several days ago for a trip into Mexico and was to be away but three days. Since he left no direct word has been received from him, and the date set for his return has passed by several days.

A report has been received here to the effect that a Mexican had reported that he had seen the dead body, and that he could take them to it. The information received is to the effect that a party had left with the Mexican to get the body, but no further word has been received.

Genaro Forzan, Jr. bookkeeper for the company, left Friday for Mexico and will try to learn what has happened.

Congress will undoubtedly recess, but it has been again announced that if it does not Senator Fall and Congressman Walton, both of New Mexico, and both with elections on their hands, will remain on duty and let the elections care for themselves.

CHAMPIONSHIP BASE BALL GAMES

The championship of the Mexican border is at stake in the baseball tournament which opens here Saturday evening and continues through Sunday, between the 24th Infantry team and a picked team from Fort Bliss, Texas, representing the cream of the army teams around that place.

The regular games scheduled for Saturday and Sunday will be postponed to let the 24th regimental team and the visitors from Ft. Bliss have the field.

There is apparently a lot of interest being taken in the big games to be. The 24th Infantry has been preparing for the test and feel in shape to 'walk away with 'em' according to a statement made by one of the men of the team.

FARRAR-BLOCH

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Farrar announce the marriage of their daughter Velma, to Lieut. Arthur Bloch, at Columbus, N. M. on Saturday evening, July 13th, 1918.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Weld left Tuesday for a stay in the mountains north of Silver City where Mr. Weld will spend his vacation on his open box, near their Ford.

A good attendance of Nifty Knitters met with Mesdames Nelson and Anderson Wednesday. Mrs. Edwin Dean invites all knitters to meet with her on next Wednesday. Plenty of yarn, needles and teachers.

W. I. Hobbs will leave shortly for a visit with his son at Alamosa, Colorado, where Mr. Hobbs is now visiting. He expects to drive through in his Studebaker. Mrs. Hobbs expects to accompany him on the return trip.

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. C. H. McAuley on Tuesday the 16th instant. The little fellow weighs eight pounds and is doing fine, as is the mother. Mrs. McAuley is in Deming.

SERGEANT EMPY IN "OVER THE TOP"

The management of the Columbus Theatre have arranged to show this famous picture on Thursday July 25th. There will be a matinee, giving everyone an opportunity to see this masterpiece in the production of pictures.

"Over The Top" is the one story of life in the trenches that has touched every responsive soul in America.

Since the book was published 250 copies have been sold during every business hour, every day. In all, more than 2,500,000 people have read it. More than 20,000,000 people have read Empey's articles in the great newspapers of the country. Many thousands have been fortunate enough to crowd their way into the limited capacity of the great halls where Empey has lectured.

Now, the whole loyal citizenship of the nation can see the "Fighting Sergeant" in action, can go over the top with him on the Hun huns. The marvel of motion picture photography brings to life before your eyes the pulsing, breathing pages of the most widely read book of the twentieth century.

Sergeant Empey himself is seen in this picture. Lois Meredith and James Morrison also take leading parts in the production.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REMIT WATER PENALTIES

Inasmuch as it has been customary for the marshal to call on the water users to collect the water tax and on the business men and others for the collection of the occupation tax, the Village Board of Trustees at their meeting Tuesday night decided to refund all penalties that had been collected during months of June and July for failure to pay water rent on or before the fifth of the month for the reason it seems a few were not aware of the ruling made by the new Board that the occupation tax and water rent should be paid on or before the fifth of the month and if not paid a penalty of 25 per cent would be added. Those who are required to pay occupation tax are subject to a fine if they fail to do so.

Water receipts and occupation tax license can be secured by applying to the City Clerk, Edwin G. Dean, at the Dean Grocery.

Beginning August 1st both ordinances will be strictly enforced.

The reason for this ruling is that it saves the city and taxpayers considerable money in not being to the expense of employing a collector.

MRS. HEARST SHIPPING CATTLE TO MARKET

A large shipment of cattle is being made from Columbus this week to eastern markets. The shipment consists of about 90 car loads totaling something in the neighborhood of 4,000 head. The cattle were brought from one of the Hearst ranches way down in Mexico. J. C. Hayes, general manager of the Hearst ranches is in charge of the work.

The cattle are all thoroughbred Herefords and are in excellent condition. The owner, Mrs. Phoebe Hearst, mother of William Randolph Hearst.

THE SONG OF THE SAMMIES

By Vic. H. Duran, Jr.
(Tune, by Permission, Battle Hymn of the Republic)

We are looking for the day, when Freedom shall rule,
The world,
For the Allied Nations have taken up the sword,
They have sworn allegiance to break the Kaiser's hold,
For our boys are marching on.

CHORUS
We're coming, coming, Uncle Sammie,
We're coming to destroy the Hun,
We're coming, coming, Uncle Sammie,
Your boys are marching on.

We'll raise Old Glory higher, for all the Huns to see,
That our Flag stands for Liberty over land and
And if old Wilhelm doesn't change his infernal little
We'll plant Old Glory on the banks of the River
Rhine.

Let us not be slackers in this fight against the Hun,
If we have no boys for Uncle, let us give our
For our cause is righteous, and the Hun shall get no
For our boys are marching on.

STATE BANK REPORT

No. 36
Report of condition of Columbus State Bank, at Columbus, in the State of New Mexico, at the close of business June 29th, 1918.

RESOURCES	
1. Loans and discounts (except these shown on (b))	\$93,413.12
2. Total Loans	\$93,413.12
3. U. S. Bonds:	
(a) U. S. Bonds owned and pledged \$5,800.00	
(b) Premium on U. S. Bonds 12.50	
Total U. S. Bonds	5,812.50
5. Stocks, other than Federal Reserve Bank stock	4,900.00
7. (a) Value of banking house (if unincumbered)	\$2,258.89
(b) Equity in banking house	2,258.89
8. Furniture and fixtures	3,424.91
9. Real estate owned other than banking house	2,366.40
11. (a) Net amt. due from Nat'l Bks. \$11,168.72	
(b) Net amount due from reserve banks	
12. Net amount due from banks and bankers (other than included in 10 and 11)	66.40
15. (a) Outside checks and other cash items \$454.82	
(b) Fractional currency, nickels and cents 505.73	
16. Coin and currency	960.50
TOTAL	\$147,731.52
LIABILITIES	
20. Capital stock paid in	\$15,000.00
21. Surplus fund	900.00
22. Undivided profits	\$735.54
(c) Less current expenses, interest and taxes paid 735.54	
Demand Deposits	
27. Individual deposits subject to check	117,658.51
28. Certificates of deposits due in less than 30 days	1,055.00
29. Certified checks	25.00
30. Cashier's checks outstanding	2,105.24
Total of demand deposits, items 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34	\$120,843.55
Time Deposits: (payable after 30 days, or subject to 30 days or more notice):	
35. Certificates of deposit	4,131.93
Total of time deposits, items 35, 36, 37	\$4,131.93
40. Bills payable, including obligations representing money borrowed	6,000.00
Payments in advance on Liberty Bonds	118.50
Total	\$147,731.52

State of New Mexico, County of Luna, ss:
We, J. L. Greenwood, President; and A. J. Weld, Cashier, of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.
J. L. GREENWOOD, President
A. J. WELD, Cashier
Correct attest: J. L. GREENWOOD, J. L. WALKER, Directors
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of July, 1918.
My commission expires 2-20-21
Notary Public for and in Luna county (SEAL)

DRILLING IS IN PROGRESS AGAIN

The casing at the well of the Valley Oil Company has been pulled and an eight inch bit has been dropped in and now the size of the hole is eight inches down to the depth of the well. Everything is going fine and rapid progress is being made. A little trouble was had with the under roamer in the unusually hard formation encountered, so it was decided that better time could be made by pulling the casing and dropping in the eight inch bit. The officials of the company express themselves as being well pleased with the developments and with the progress being made.

L. H. Blankenship arrived in town Wednesday in company of C. S. Cox and J. W. Searle, of Bisbee, Arizona. Mr. Blankenship states that he has a rig en route and expects to start operations on his holdings at an early date.

Mrs. N. B. Hampton is visiting her sister, Mrs. Anna Mays in eastern Texas. Mrs. Mays at one time resided in the Valley with her husband who has since died, and now she has volunteered for Red Cross work and will leave shortly for France.

NEW RULING IN REGARD TO INTOXICATING LIQUORS

A copy of the following order has been furnished us by the commanding officer of this camp with a request that same be published:

"Under authority of section 12 of the Act of Congress 'To authorize the President to increase temporarily the Military establishment of the United States,' approved May 18, 1917, which section reads as follows:

Sec. 12. That the President of the United States, as commander in chief of the army, is authorized to make such regulations governing the prohibition of alcoholic liquors in or near military camps and to the officers and enlisted men of the army as he may from time to time see necessary or advisable. Provided that no person, corporation, partnership or association shall sell, supply, or have in his or its possession any intoxicating or spirituous liquors at any military station, cantonment, camp, fort, post, officers' or enlisted men's club, which is being used at the time for military purposes under this Act, but the Secretary of War may make regulations permitting the sale and use of intoxicating liquors for medicinal purposes. It shall be unlawful to sell any intoxicating liquor, including beer, ale, or wine, to any officer or member of the military forces while in uniform, except as herein provided. Any person, corporation, partnership, or association violating the provisions of this section or the regulations made thereunder shall, unless otherwise punishable under the articles of war, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and be punished by a fine of not more than \$1000 or imprisonment for not more than twelve months, or both."

The following regulations are established by the President and the Secretary of War, to continue during the present emergency, and shall supersede all former regulations issued under the aforesaid authority except the regulation of March 2, 1918, relating to the Island of Oahu, Territory of Hawaii:

"Around every military camp at which officers and enlisted men, not less than 250 in number, have been or shall be stationed for more than thirty consecutive days, there shall be for the purpose set forth in this regulation a zone five miles wide, except that within the existing limits of an incorporated city or town, within which the sale of alcoholic liquor shall be prohibited by the state or local law, the zone shall not include any territory more than one-half mile from the nearest boundary of such camp. Alcoholic liquor, including beer, ale, and wine, either alone or with any other article, shall not directly or indirectly, be sold, bartered, given or served, or knowingly delivered by one person to another within any such zone, or sent, shipped, transmitted, carried, or transported to any place within any such zone. Provided, that this regulation shall not apply to the giving or serving of such liquor in a private home to members of the family or bonafide guests, other than members of the military forces, or to the sending, shipping, transmitting, carrying or transporting of such liquor to a private home for use as aforesaid: Provided also, that this

BIG BOXING EVENT FOR THIS EVENING

It is not often that you get an opportunity to see a preacher fight. That is one of the reasons every one interested in the game wants to be out to-night. Parson Wedge, now of Hachita, is substituted for Jack Casper in a fifteen round mill at the Crystal Theater. The athletic officer at Fort Bliss refused to let Casper come for the fight with Babe Cabell, which accounts for the Parson being mixed up in the affair. If he wins from Cabell and can preach as well as he can fight we all will want to hear him.

Gink Parker and Kid Ford are billed for a ten-round session in to-night's program. Young Heck Bones and the "Rabbit" will start the program going with a six-round bout. No love is lost between these two boys and the opinion is that this go will be a "hummer".

The price has been reduced to one-half the amount heretofore charged, 50c, \$1 and \$1.50 being the price of admission, and the card for this event is or at least should be as good as any put on here for a long time. C. H. Johnson is the promoter.

MARSHALL JACKSON HELD TO FEDERAL COURT

Marshall Jackson, proprietor of the Columbus Hotel, was given a preliminary hearing Tuesday before U. S. Commissioner E. M. Reed on a charge of running a bawdy house. The complaint was made by the provost. The accused was bound over to the federal grand jury, his bond being placed at \$750. Sorities were promptly furnished.

Boost Columbus by patronizing her industries.

regulation shall not apply to the sale or gift of such liquor by registered pharmacists to licensed physicians or medical officers of the United States for medicinal purposes, or to the sending, shipping, transmitting, carrying or transporting of such liquor to registered pharmacists, licensed physicians, or medical officers of the United States for use as aforesaid.

2. Alcoholic liquor, including beer, ale, and wine, either alone or with any other article, shall not directly or indirectly, be sold, bartered, given, served, or knowingly delivered to any officer or member of the military forces, within the United States, their territories or possessions, or any place under their control, except to medical officers for medicinal purposes or when administered by or under the direction of a licensed physician or medical officer.

3. The sale or supply of intoxicating liquors to licensed physicians and medical officers for medicinal purposes, and the possession, use, and administration thereof by such physicians and officers for medicinal purposes at any military station, cantonment, camp, fort, or post, is permitted.

4. All prior violations of former regulations and all penalties incurred thereunder shall be prosecuted and enforced in the same manner and with the same effect as if these superseding regulations had not been established.

By order of the Secretary of War: PEYTON C. MARCH General, Chief of Staff